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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		X		DOCUMENT ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC #: DATE FILED: 4/3/15
DENNIS WATKINS,	Plaintiff,	: : :		
-against-		: : :	14 Civ. 2748 (LGS) (SN)	
POLICE OFFICER RAMOS,	Defendant	: :	OPINION AND	<u>ORDER</u>
	Defendant.	: : - X		

LORNA G. SCHOFIELD, District Judge:

Plaintiff, proceeding pro se, brings suit against Defendant pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and New York state law alleging excessive force, perjury, fraud, slander and assault and battery. Before the Court is the Report and Recommendation of Magistrate Judge Sarah Netburn (the "Report"), recommending that Defendant's motion to dismiss be granted and the case dismissed with prejudice. For the reasons stated below, the Report is adopted in its entirety.

This case was referred to Judge Netburn on September 9, 2014. On October 10, 2014, Defendant filed a motion to dismiss the operative complaint under Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. On February 27, 2015, Judge Netburn issued the Report to which no objection was filed.

A district court reviewing a magistrate judge's report and recommendation "may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The district court "may adopt those portions of the report to which no specific, written objection is made, as long as the factual and legal bases supporting the findings and conclusions set forth in those sections are not clearly erroneous or contrary to law."

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Adams v. New York State Dep't of Educ., 855 F. Supp. 2d 205, 206 (S.D.N.Y. 2012) (internal

quotation marks omitted) (citing Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 149

(1985)). "In general, failure to object timely to a magistrate's report operates as a waiver of any

further judicial review of the magistrate's decision." Caidor v. Onondaga Cnty., 517 F.3d 601,

604 (2d Cir. 2008) (internal citation and quotation marks omitted).

The factual and legal bases underlying the well-considered Report are neither clearly

erroneous nor contrary to law. Accordingly, the Report is ADOPTED in its entirety as the

decision of the Court. Defendant's motion to dismiss is GRANTED and the case is DISMISSED

with prejudice.

The Court certifies under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) that any appeal from this Order would

not be taken in good faith and therefore in forma pauperis status is denied for the purpose of an

appeal. See Coppedge v. United States, 369 U.S. 438, 444-45 (1962).

The Clerk of Court is directed to close the motion at Docket No. 23, to close this case and

mail a copy of this Opinion and Order to Plaintiff at the following address:

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SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 3, 2015

New York, New York

LORNA G. SCHOFIEL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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